

# Maternal Health in Georgia

**Mercer University School of Medicine**

# Rural Clinics

**Plains/Sumter:148**

**Peach County:112**

**Clay County: 156**

**Quality Primary Care**

**Behavioral Health Services**

**Telehealth Support**

**Basic Diagnostic Studies**

**Laboratory**

**X-Ray**

**Ultrasound**

**Mammograms**

**Women's Health Services**





# Maternal Mental Health

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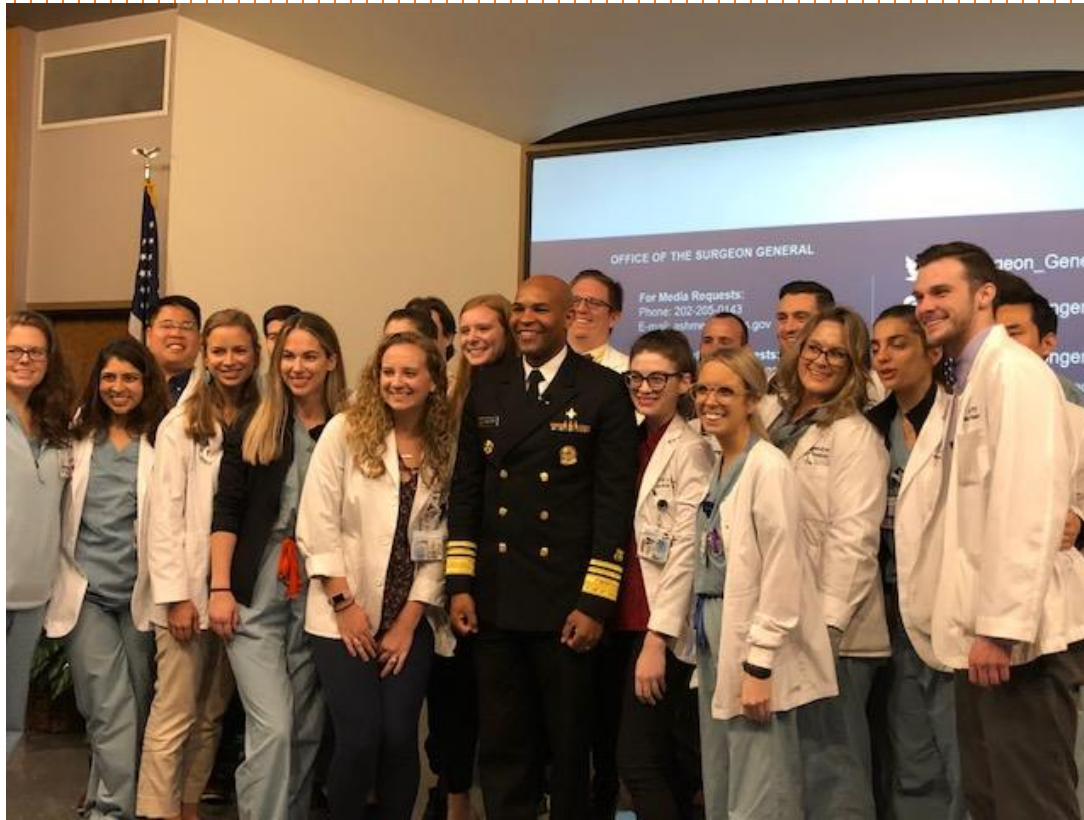
Simple

Free

Coupled with Depression Screen



# Healthy Start South Georgia



Early Intervention

Preparation for Pregnancy

Prevention

Local Access to Obstetrical  
Services



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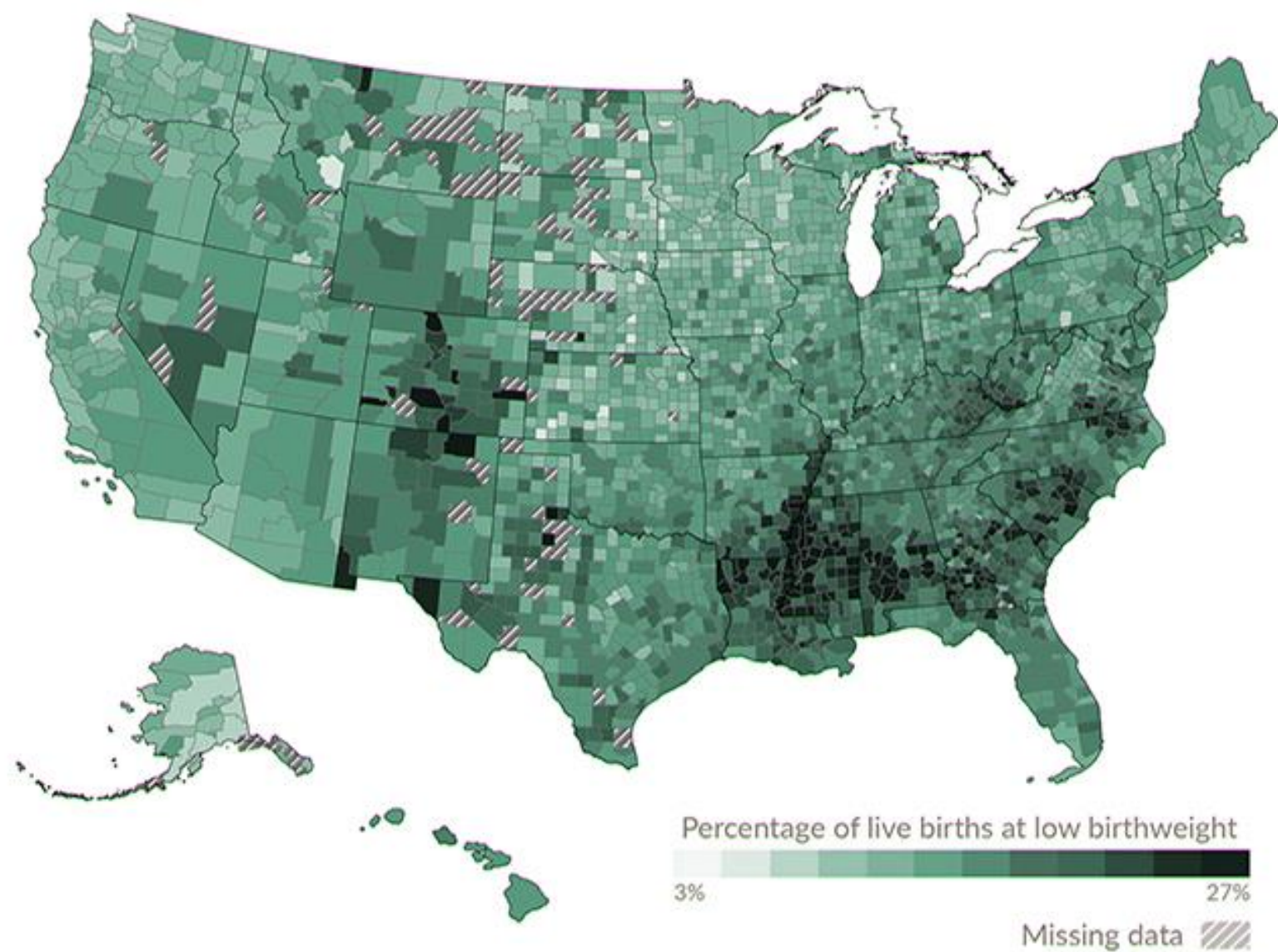
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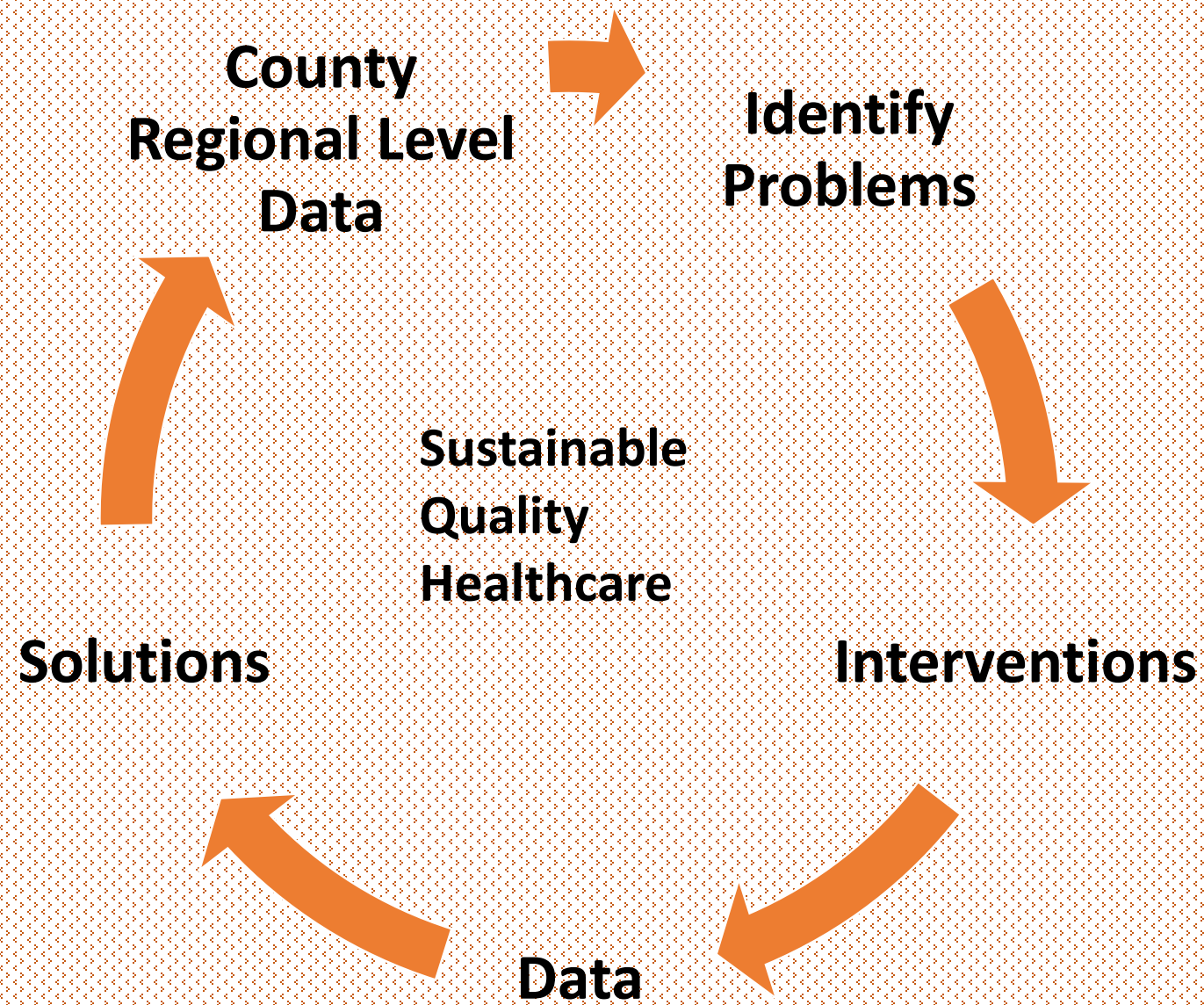




**Teens in rural counties have seen the least improvement and continue to have the highest birth rates, nearly twice the rate of teens in suburban counties.”**











## Rapid Strike Team for Rural Georgia Health Issues

Accurate Community Needs Assessments

Respond to Your Request for Urgently Needed Information

Community Data Gathering

Medical Literature

Identify Georgia Experts

National Comparisons

Rural Information is Challenging to Obtain

Precision Public Health

# Immunization Rates

About 2 weeks after vaccination, the mother develops antibodies to influenza and whooping cough.

Antibodies enter the placenta and transfer to the baby.



The baby is born with antibodies that provide protection against influenza and whooping cough for the first few months of life.





**Thank You for All You Do to  
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